

Weather Briefing For January 30-31, 2013







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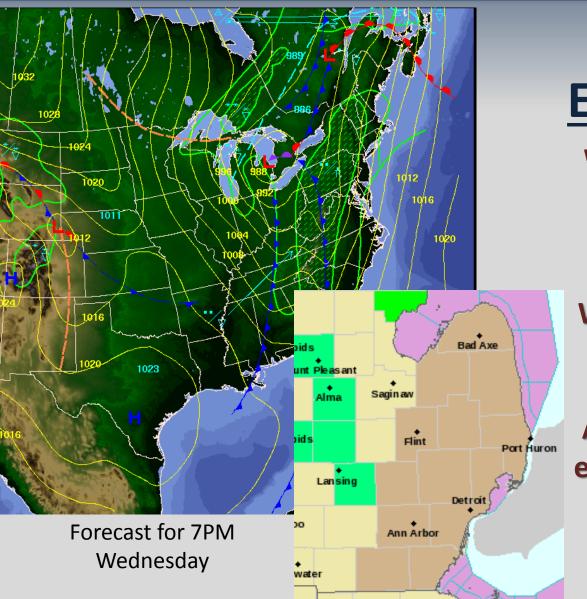
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Decision Support Briefing Highlights





Event Summary

Wind Gusts up to 45 mph

Wind Advisory in Effect

Wednesday night and into Thursday

All of Southeast Michigan excluding Shiawassee, Bay, Midland, and Saginaw counties



Hazard Risk Assessment



Extreme

High

Moderate



Low

This Event is a Common Weather Event

Some Disruption to Daily Life

Rarely Life Threatening

Recovery Time
Several Hours After the Weather
Fnds

Extreme:

- Historic Weather Hazard/Event
- Life Threatening
- Total disruption of daily life
- Recovery Time: days to one week

High:

- Rare Weather Hazard/Event
- Potentially Life Threatening
- Widespread disruption of daily life
- Recovery Time: hours to a couple days

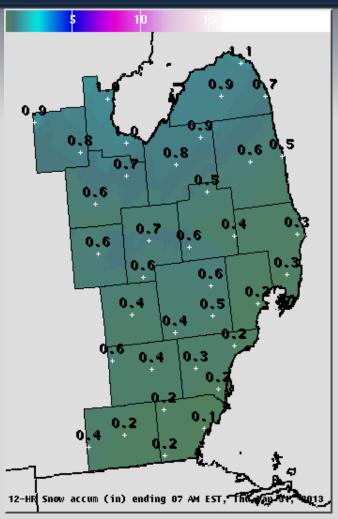
Moderate:

- Common Weather Hazard/Event
- Rarely directly life threatening
- Some disruption of daily life
- Recovery Time: +/- 6 hrs of when weather ends



Storm Total Snowfall Wednesday night





Snow Total for Wednesday night (in inches)

Snow Accumulation

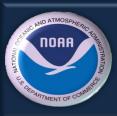
1 inch or less after rain changes to snow

Type of Snow

Wet and Heavy changing to Light and Fluffy

Additional Hazards

Rapidly falling temperatures



Potential Impacts



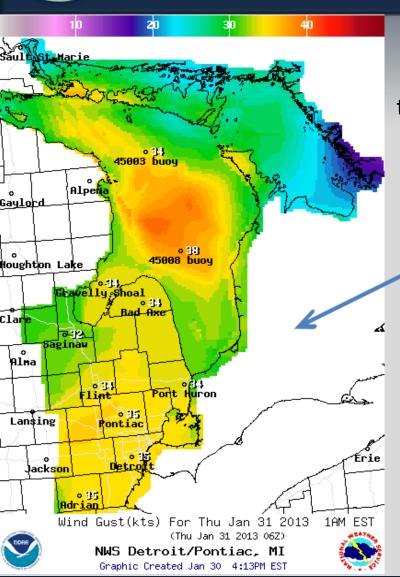
Road Conditions	 Slippery road conditions could exist as temperatures fall causing water left on untreated roadways to freeze. Air Temperatures drop to the mid 20s by 6am Thursday
Additional Potential Impacts	Winds could cause power outages

Power Outage Potential	Medium	Low
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Timing of Wind

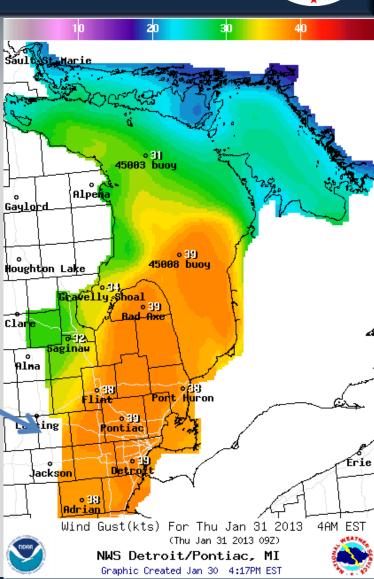




Winds expected to peak between 10 pm Wednesday and 6am Thursday

1 AM Thursday

4 AM Thursday





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Beginning

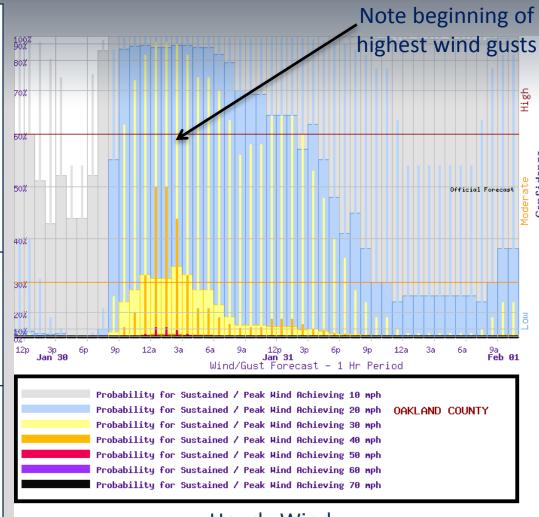
- Wind will increase around 10pm Wednesday.
- Snow will begin between 7pm-10pm Wednesday.

Peak Wind

 Strongest wind gusts are expected between
 12am and 4am

Ending

- Winds will slowly diminish during the day Thursday
- Snow showers continues through Thursday



Hourly Wind



Decision Support BriefingSummary



What	Where	Timing	Impacts
West Wind 35-45 mph	Southeast Michigan	10 PM – 6 AM	Power outages could impact certain areas of Southeast Michigan
Snow Less than 1 inch	Southeast Michigan	After 7 PM Wednesday	Could cause slippery roads as rain changes over to snow during the evening hours
Temperatures Dropping into the mid-20s by 6am Thursday	Southeast Michigan	Wednesday night- Thursday	Could cause slippery road conditions on untreated surfaces



Additional Information





Local Hazards Page

http://www.weather.gov/detroit/svr.php

Great Lakes Marine Portal

http://www.weather.gov/greatlakes

Hourly Wind Probabilities

http://www.crh.noaa.gov/dtx/?n=pwind

Hourly Snowfall Probabilities

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